MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

Tuesday, December 8, 2009, 2:00 PM Council Chambers Municipal Building 93 Cottage Street Bar Harbor, Maine

I. Call to Order

Members present: Patricia Samuel, Chair; Barry Teater, Secretary; Mark

Hanscome; Chris Fogg; John Kelly.

Staff present: Anne Krieg, Town Planning Director

The meeting lacked a quorum, so no motions were made.

II. Absences

Excused absences: Karen Baksa, James "Howdy" Houghton, Chris

Vincenty

Unexcused absences: Randy Sprague, Matt Horton

III. Minutes

The minutes of the November 24, 2009, meeting were tabled.

IV. Regular Business

A. Completion of Downtown development district project

The Task Force discussed additional revisions to the proposed downtown village districts in the Land Use Ordinance (LUO), including affordable housing provisions for four-story buildings and setback requirements. Ms. Krieg said she would present recommended LUO changes to the town's attorney for review before the Task Force votes to forward them to the Town Council.

B. Update of Eden Street Corridor Zoning Project

This item was tabled.

C. Update of Route 3 committee

Ms. Krieg said she would meet soon with representatives of the Maine Department of Transportation to gain their feedback on a \$400,000 federal earmark request for Route 3 improvements.

D. Review of a memo to Town Council about Code Enforcement complaints.

This item was tabled.

E. Update of telecommunications projects by Ms. Samuel.

Ms. Samuel said she met recently with the town's Telecommunications Task Force. She reported that an online survey is being prepared for the town's website asking residents where high-speed internet access is available throughout the town of Bar Harbor, and in what forms.

F. Task Force membership.

Ms. Samuel said she would explain the Task Force's membership needs when she reports to the Town Council on December 15. At issue are three unfilled seats representing Town Hill, College of the Atlantic and the real estate industry. These seats need to be filled through new recruitment efforts or be converted to at-large seats and filled.

G.Other Task Force comments

There were no other comments.

V. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

VI. Matters for Next Meetings

- A. Set 2010 meeting calendar This item was tabled.
- B. Request Town Council extend Task Force work This item was tabled.

VII. Confirm Date/Time/Location for Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Task Force was confirmed for 2 p.m. on December 22, 2009, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. by acclamation of the Chair.

These minutes were prepared by Task Force Secretary Barry Teater for presentation at the December 8, 2009, meeting of the Economic Development Task Force.